

Executive Department State of Idaho

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, the motorcycle is an energy-efficient vehicle which conserves fuel, reduces urban traffic and parking congestion, and treads lightly on the road system; and

WHEREAS, the motorcycle is an important and economical mode of transportation for such activities as commuting, touring and recreation and can be an aid to agriculture; and

WHEREAS, the motorcycle promotes tourism and friendship by attracting riders from throughout the United States and many foreign countries through various clubs and organizations; and

WHEREAS, motorcycles lack the protective armor of trucks and automobiles, increasing the risk of serious accidental injury and death for motorcyclists, all motorist need to operate with caution near motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, due to the increasing number of motorcycles on the roads and highways of our state and throughout the nation, and because motorcycle awareness and safety is a concern to all, it is appropriate to set aside a time to alert motorists to the number of motorcyclists on the roads and to help motorcyclists become aware of the ways they can promote safety;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim May 2013 to be

MOTORCYCLE AWARENESS MONTH

in Idaho.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this 1st day of May in the year of our Lord two thousand and thirteen and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred twenty-third.

C.L. "BUTCH" OTTER GOVERNOR

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